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Auction of Permits to Import Pork Fat and Oils Set

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Report Highlights:

On June 25, 2002, Mexico's Secretariat of Economy will conduct an auction for import permits (cupos) for the Mexican private sector to import 5,722 MT of U.S. edible pork fat and oils under the NAFTA tariff rate quotas.

The following announcement was published in Mexico's "Diario Oficial" (Federal Register) on May 24, 2002.

On June 25, 2002 at 11:00 AM, Mexico's Secretariat of Economy (SE) through the Directorate of Foreign Trade Services (DGSCE) will conduct auction number 034/2002 for permits (cupos) for U.S. pig fat and oils (except product not for human consumption) as established under the NAFTA tariff rate quotas (TRQ).

The details of the auction are as follows:

H.S. Number and Product	Total Auction Quantity	Maximum quantity per importer
0209.00.99 Pig fat, not rendered (except product not for human consumption). Others.	5,722 M T	900 M T
1501.00.01 Lard, other pig fat and poultry fat, except those from fractions 02.09 or 15.03		
1516.10.01 Note: except from poultry, animal fats and oils and their fractions.		

The documents required to participate may be picked up by interested parties beginning June 5, 2002, from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the following address as well as in the SE's State Offices throughout Mexico:

"Ventanilla de Cupos TLC" Secretaria de Economia Insurgentes Sur 1940, Planta Baja Colonia Florida, Delegacion Alvaro Obregon C.P. 01030, Mexico, D.F.

FAS/Mexico Note: This is NOT an invitation for bids to purchase the mentioned product. Rather, it is an auction for the right to import the listed products duty free. Thus, the auction is limited to Mexican companies within the food industry who use the listed products in their production process. That fact notwithstanding, this auction may impact U.S. exporters because those Mexican importers who are granted the *cupos* will be looking for product to fill the permit shortly after the auction, if not earlier.

Internet Connections

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